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BETTER BABIES CONTEST.

State-wide campaign for better babies at the State Fair—valuable prizes.

Final plans and arrangements have just been made for a State-wide Better Babies Health Contest to be held at the State Fair at Raleigh, October 20th to 25th. This health contest will be under the management of the State Board of Health. There will be none of the old-time beauty show of voting contest connected with it. The babies will be given a mental test, then weighed and measured and given a thorough physical examination by a corps of the best specialists on children in the State. At every examination the child will be graded or scored, the total score for a perfect baby being 1,000.

While the State Fair Association, the Woman's Clubs, the Woman's Home Companion and others have contributed somewhere between \$400 and \$500 for prizes for the best babies, it is pointed out that by far the greatest value of the contest will be in having the experts point out to the mothers any defects they may find in the babies, and tell them how to remedy them.

There is no entry fee or charge whatsoever connected with the contest. It is open to any white child in the State between the ages of 6 months and 36 months. Careful arrangements have been made to have everything provided for the care, protection and comfort of the mothers and babies. Test tents with cots will be provided for the sleepy babies and tired mothers, and one or more trained nurses will be in charge at all times.

Anyone wishing to enter the contest should write the State Board of Health at once, being sure to state the day they will be at the fair, so a time can be named for judging the baby.

WHAT A BOY SHOULD NOT BE.

A boy should shun idleness as he would shun a viper. While every boy needs, and must have, rest and relaxation, yet the habit of idleness should not be cultivated. It will grow rapidly enough anyway.

It should be rooted up as early as possible. The time to break the chain is when the first link grows red in the forge. Snap the strands and there will be no rope to bind you to a shiftless and unsuccessful life—Orphans Friend.

WHAT NORTH CAROLINA HAS ACCOMPLISHED WITHIN RECENT YEARS.

(From the Greenville News)

There was a time when a Governor of North Carolina said that he thanked the Lord for South Carolina, because this latter State kept the former from being at the bottom of the list of States in advancement. But now there is no need for a governor of Tarheelia to say any such thing, for our neighbor to the north has advanced with great rapidity during recent years, while we have not. North Carolina is now what can justly be called a progressive State. It is improving its education laws, it revised its Constitution through a committee or commission, with the aid of eminent economists. It is a law-abiding State as compared with us, and now comes Governor Craig with a proclamation of a good roads day thus still farther emphasizing the manner in which his realm is going

forward. In western North Carolina road building is receiving considerable attention. Now the sentiment will be spread to all parts of the State. And in the meantime, South Carolina continues in the folly of her politically distorted way. We have had few improved educational laws passed recently. There has been no concerted effort to better the highways of the State. With us the stump receives more attention than matters of statesmanship, interest centering in personal politics more than in matters which are worth while.

The Governor of North Carolina need not regard his State as next to the bottom. There are several which have lagged while the Tar Heel State has gone onward toward the goal of a higher civilization.

MARS HILL.

Trusting that the editor will be so kind as to print this, I shall endeavor to give my friends some news from Mars Hill.

Mars Hill is beautifully situated in the heart of the mountains of Madison county, where cool fresh air is abundant. It is surrounded by the most beautiful scenery in this part of the State, and is one of the most attractive situations in this county.

One of the most attractive features of Mars Hill is its school. Situated in the center of town is the Mars Hill College, one of the best institutions of the State. It was founded in 1859 and is well-known all over the South.

The school opened with the largest number of students that it has known in all its history, and the condition are such that this session will be the best Mars Hill has witnessed since its establishment. The faculty is strong, consisting of twelve of the best trained teachers of the South, and they are prepared to teach all the different phases of all departments of education.

The school has a large library and four strong literary societies, the Philomathean and Euthalian societies being for young men, and the Clio and Nonpareil for the girls. Many interesting features are connected with these societies and one of the most interesting is the debates which are carried out enthusiastically. The writer is a Philomathean who is doing his utmost "and grinning" behind the ear at the result.

Last Saturday Ralph Jarrett, a student here from Dillsboro, made a visit to Asheville to see the "big circus."

Last Saturday was a holiday and a number of students made a trip to Bald mountain, Craig and Bailey Mt. All enjoyed a nice time. A few concluded they would break the record walking but "resulted with some limbs."

Much work is being done on the hall ground, and when completed we will have one of the most attractive athletic fields of the country. Base ball, foot ball, basket ball and tennis are the principal games played.

Last Thursday a party consisting of Gentry Hall, from Andrews, and myself, chaperoned by the dictates of our conscience, made a flying trip to the chinquapen field and the result was a "quick get away" owing to the fact of a remarkable discovery of a jackets nest, and O, the little inhabitants therein!

J. W. FISHER, JR.

QUALLA.

(Too late for publication last week.)

J. C. Robinson has sold his farm to L. J. Floyd.

J. E. Rogers has sold his farm to Jehu Reagan.

Messrs. J. C. Robinson and J. E. Rogers and their families will move to Macon soon.

Sam Hughes and wife have moved to their new home which they bought from C. A. Bird.

Mr. and Mrs. N. N. Passmore of Rossman were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wood last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rhodes and family and Mrs. W. B. Sherrill and Jordan Sherrill were the guests of Mrs. L. B. Farmer last week.

Miss Hattie Medford has returned to her home at Clyde after several days visit here.

Miss Minnie Bird spent a day in Asheville the first of the week.

The Qualla boys played ball Saturday; score, 10 to 6 in favor of Qualla.

WILLIE-WILLIE.

BETA.

Mr. Lloyd Keener and Miss Lillie Reed were married at the home of the bride on September 21. The ceremony was witnessed by only a few friends. The young couple will make their home in Whittier.

Rufus Snider of Franklin is visiting friends at Beta.

Dock Snyder and daughter, of Knoxville are visiting friends in Beta.

Price Ashe of Wilmot was here last week.

Mrs. Martha Crawford of Shoal Creek is visiting her son Robert Crawford.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Fisher visited Mrs. Fisher's mother, Mrs. Davis, near Webster, Sunday.

Homer Gates and Jess Gibson were up from Dix Creek Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Jones of Sunburst spent last week with Mrs. Jones' father, T. J. Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. Sebe Plott and children of Canton are spending a few days with Mrs. Plott's mother, Mrs. Reed.

Charlie Reed has been ill for a day or so.

Cale Ensley, who has been in the West for some time, is visiting his people in Jackson county.

Rev. Thad F. Deitz, the pastor, assisted by Rev. Conner, of Tennessee, has been conducting a very successful revival meeting at the Baptist church for the past three weeks. The meeting was largely attended and much interest in the religious and moral welfare of the community was manifested. More than one hundred people confessed Christ as their Savior. There were forty-one additions to the church by baptism Wednesday.

Among the Sylva people who attended the Western Carolina fair were Mrs. W. P. McGuire, Mrs. J. W. Keener, Miss Tela Zachary, Mrs. Mallonee, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Dills, T. C. Bryson, Gerson Bryson, Posey Cathey, Floyd Bryson, J. Robert Long and Dan Tompkins.

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